



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**PALMETTO ACADEMY OF LEARNING & SUCCESS**  
**Horry**  
**Grades: K-8** **Enrollment: 152**  
**Principal: Ms. Courtney Fancher**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Cynthia Elsberry**  
**Board Chair: Joe DeFeo**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Excellent	Excellent	TBD	TBD	A	N/A
2012	Excellent	Excellent	Gold	Silver	A	N/A
2011	Good	Average	Gold	N/A	Met	N/A

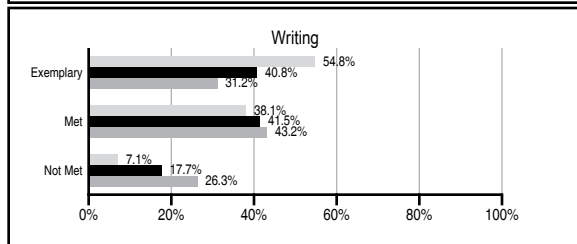
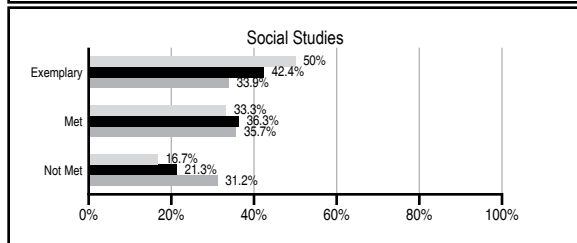
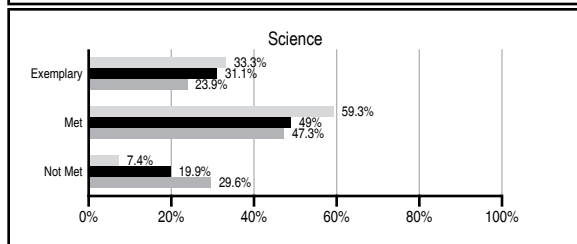
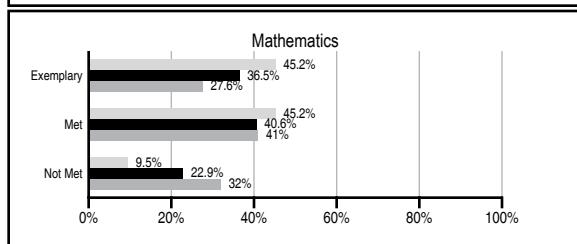
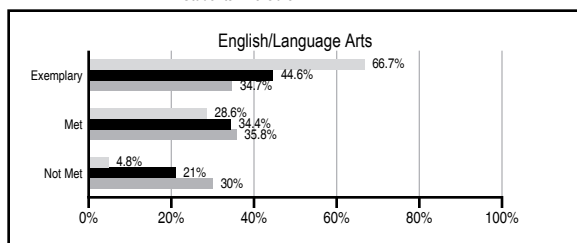
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
18	11	8	0	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

### READING – GRADE 8 (2011)

South Carolina	28	45	25	2
Nation	25	43	29	3
% Below Basic   % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

### MATH – GRADE 8 (2011)

South Carolina	30	38	25	7
Nation	28	39	26	8
% Below Basic   % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

### SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2011)

South Carolina	39	32	27	1
Nation	36	32	29	2
% Below Basic   % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	42.1	95.8
English 1	90.9	95.3
Physical Science	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	0
All Subjects	60.0	95.7

## SC PERFORMANCE VISION

*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

### Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
<b>Students (n=152)</b>				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	N/R	N/R	30.4%	24.6%
Retention rate	0.6%	Down from 1.4%	0.4%	0.6%
Attendance rate	94.5%	Down from 94.9%	96.5%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	26.3%	N/A	25.5%	18.5%
With disabilities	7.7%	N/A	11.3%	13.0%
Older than usual for grade	1.3%	N/A	3.2%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	N/R	N/R	0.3%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=10)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	30.0%	Up from 16.7%	65.3%	61.5%
Continuing contract teachers	60.0%	Up from 50.0%	78.3%	77.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	88.2%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.5%	N/R	95.3%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$39,914	Up 13.9%	\$48,855	\$47,313
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	24.1%	Down from 46.3%	2.5%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	N/R	N/R	11.2 days	10.1 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	N/R	N/R	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	N/R	N/R	23.9 to 1	22.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.6%	N/R	90.4%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	N/R	N/R	Excellent	Good
SACS accreditation	N/R	N/R	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	N/R	N/R	98.7%	99.0%
Character development program	N/R	N/R	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$8,566	Up 5.3%	\$7,035	\$7,239
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	56.0%	Down from 61.0%	66.0%	63.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	41.0%	Down from 51.4%	64.0%	61.0%
ESEA composite index score	100.0	Up from 97.9	86.4	83.5

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	12	N/A	N/A
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100%	N/A	N/A
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100%	N/A	N/A
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	100%	N/A	N/A

\*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

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NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status